

PATENT APPLICATION



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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In reply to the July 17, 2002 Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claim 1 as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A method of time slicing a telecommunications call, comprising:
- connecting a caller to a subscriber of a time slicing service; then
 - determining if the subscriber is available to continue the call from the caller;
 - connecting the caller to an alternate device that provides alternate services when the subscriber is not available to continue the call;
 - terminating the alternate services and resuming communication between the caller to the subscriber when the subscriber is available to continue the call; and